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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

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<code>JEFFERSON-PILOT LIFE . CIVIL ACTION NO. C-1-02-479 INSURANCE COMPANY, et al., .</code>

Plaintiffs, . Cincinnati, Ohio

- v -. Tuesday, August 17, 2004

. 3:00 p.m. Hearing

CHRISTOPHER L. KEARNEY,

. Cross-Motions for Summary

Defendant. . Judgment

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE HONORABLE S. ARTHUR SPIEGEL, JUDGE TRANSCRIPT ORDERED BY: William R. Ellis, Esq.

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- 1 Disability. Those benefits are available.
- Sickness for Total Disability, that applies in Residual
- 3 Disability. And then we come to the first issue of dispute
- 4 in the case: The definition in the policy of Increase in
- 5 Benefits. Like all the other definitions I just referenced
- 6 and those here on the handout, it is described by using the
- 7 words Total Disability. But just like all the other
- 8 definitions, it applies in Residual Disability, as I'll show
- 9 the Court.
- 10 When a person applies -- purchases and pays a premium for
- 11 Residual Disability and then they apply for Residual
- 12 Disability, to make sense of the rider in this policy --
- 13 because the way the policy was written, it doesn't mention
- 14 Residual; you have to take the rider and then go back for the
- 15 policy and apply these definitions as if it's Residual. Just
- 16 like it's undisputed for Elimination Period, Maximum Benefit
- 17 and Monthly Benefit, even those described as Total, they
- 18 apply in Residual and so does Increase in Benefits, as we'll
- 19 get to in a second.
- Now, the language of Increase in Benefits says, "After
- 21 you've received benefits for Total Disability for 12
- 22 consecutive months." As I'll show you, because of the
- 23 Residual Disability rider and the claim for residual, when
- 24 residual is the issue, it should be read, "After you've
- 25 received benefits for Residual Benefits for 12 months." The